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FOR AMBASSADOR/CHARGE FROM VAKY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OAS, NU, VE

SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN REQUEST FOR MFM ON NICARAGUA

REF: STATE 227319

1. DEBATE ON VENEZUELAN REQUEST FOR A MEETING OF CONSULTA-  
TION OF FOREIGN MINISTERS (MFM) ON SITUATION IN NICARAGUA  
WAS INITIATED ON SEPTEMBER 7 AND WAS DELAYED TO  
SEPTEMBER 12 TO PERMIT VARIOUS DELEGATIONS TO OBTAIN  
FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS AS REPORTED REFTEL. FYI: WE BELIEVE  
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IT ESSENTIAL TO OBTAIN FURTHER DELAY OF CONSIDERATION OF  
REQUEST FOR CONVOCAION OF MFM IN ORDER TO MORE FULLY  
EXPLORE VARIOUS COURSES OF ACTION FOR EFFECTIVELY DEALING  
WITH NICARAGUAN SITUATION, INCLUDING A POSSIBLE INITIATIVE  
NOW BEING CONSIDERED BY THE CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO  
OFFER THEIR GOOD OFFICES AS MEDIATORS. END FYI.

2. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO CONSULT AT THE HIGHEST APPROPRIATE LEVEL TO ASCERTAIN WHAT YOUR HOST GOVERNMENT'S POSITION IS ON THE REQUEST TO CONVOKE ON MFM AND SOLICIT ITS VIEWS ON WHAT MEASURES AN MFM MIGHT TAKE IF IT WERE TO BE CONVOKED. IF ASKED ABOUT OUR POSITION, STATE THAT WE HAVE SUPPORTED

IN PRINCIPLE VENEZUELAN REQUEST FOR MFM UNDER ARTICLE 59.

3. YOU SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT RAISE OUR INTEREST IN DELAY WITH HOST GOVERNMENT. WE ARE SPECIFICALLY DEALING WITH THIS QUESTION WITH SELECTED CA AND OTHER COUNTRIES. HOWEVER, SHOULD HOST GOVERNMENT INDICATE ANY INTEREST IN DELAYING CONSIDERATION, INDICATE THAT YOU WILL CONSULT.

4. REPORT RESULTS OF CONSULTATION BY OPENING OF BUSINESS SEPTEMBER 11. CHRISTOPHER

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